



Annual Report

2018

“Making the Sandhills a Better Life”

YEAR IN REVIEW

The question often comes up, “What does the RC&D do?” The simple and short answer is write and administer grant funded projects. But that entails so much more! Below is a summary of what your Sandhills RC&D has been involved in this past year:

- ♦ Out of the office 48 days for planning, meetings, promotion at shows, and educational tours directly related to Sandhills RC&D projects.
- ♦ Administered the Cedar Control Project funded through a Nebraska Environmental Trust Grant. Roughly 850 actual acres were treated for cedar removal. This project is ongoing.
- ♦ Wrote two NEW grants totaling \$168,595 both of which are still pending
- ♦ Provided oversight for one Nebraska Tourism grants that was completed in 2018—Total of this grant was \$9635. This funding provided funding for byway promotion through the state tourism website, coop ad placements, information request leads program through the state tourism website, and advertising in the 2019 State Travel Guide.
- ♦ Administered ongoing multi year grants/projects representing \$910,573 in funding for local and statewide projects. (quarterly reports, semi annual reports and annual reporting)
- ♦ Provided a site for quarterly NGLC board meetings
- ♦ Produced monthly newsletter for the Byway reaching 200+ members
- ♦ Administrator for three Facebook pages for the Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway—one for the Byway, one for birding, and one for the art trail. The Byway page has grown from 1,400 ‘friends’ at the close of 2015 to over 8,700 at the close of 2018. The byway page has some interesting statistics—almost 8,700 fans (up from the 6,000 at the beginning of 2017) with 63% female and 37% male; 65 and older make up the largest age group; 44 countries besides the US are represented in the fan base; Omaha and Lincoln make up the largest number of fans with a combined 1,695; Colorado Springs, Kansas City, Rapid City and Denver add another 150; in the last 28 days we have had 22 new page likes, had a reach over 20,000, and 4,760 post engagements. The birding Facebook page has another 4,000 friends. Posts publicize events and attractions and share stories pertinent to the Byway.
- ♦ Assist in planning for a new event—“Wings Over 2” birding festival to be held in April 2018—funded by a grant through the Nebraska Environmental Trust. Had to be canceled due to poor weather.
- ♦ The Annual Polar Bear Tank Race continues to generate interest and participation from visitors across the country. 2019 will mark the 12th Anniversary of the Tank Race which is held the first weekend of March. This has been held as a fundraiser for SJSB and represents a tremendous financial boost to help promote the Byway.
- ♦ Assisted in manning the Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway booth at the Nebraska State Fair for three days. The booth was open throughout the duration of the fair and with 314,000 attendees, it was a great opportunity to share information on the central Sandhills region.
- ♦ The Sandhills RC&D will be serving as the fiscal agent for a cooperative agreement between the Nebraska Cattlemen, World Wildlife Fund, and Nebraska Grazing Lands Coalition to provide an executive director for a new Generational Transition statewide program to assist producers as they make transition plans.
- ♦ 2019 marks the 20th anniversary of the designation of the Nebraska State Scenic Byways. Special celebrations will be planned throughout the year to celebrate the accomplishments. In the 20 year period, \$918,000 in grants have been awarded to the Byway with over \$600,000 written through the Sandhills RC&D office.
- ♦ All of the events and projects featured in this annual report are a direct result of Sandhills RC&D partnerships with the various groups hosting these activities.
- ♦ Much to be proud of and lots of opportunities in the future!

SANDHILLS RC&D CEDAR PROJECT COMPLETED

The Sandhills Resource Conservation and Development cedar control project has completed the final year of the Nebraska Environmental Trust grant period and now the project will be ongoing with the Sandhills RC&D owning the machine and equipment. The Nebraska Environmental Trust awarded the Sandhills RC&D nearly \$136,000 in 2014 to purchase a skid steer, trailer and shear that has been made available to landowners in the central Sandhills region. The machine with operator can be rented to control Eastern Red Cedar encroachment and restore the rangeland to productive grazing land acres. To schedule your cedar removal project, contact the Sandhills RC&D office at (308) 546-0636.

The Trust has provided over \$213 million in grants to over 1,600 projects across the state. Anyone – citizens, organizations, communities, farmers and businesses – can apply for funding to protect habitat, improve water quality and establish recycling programs in Nebraska. The Nebraska Environmental Trust works to preserve, protect and restore our natural resources for future generations.



HOUSING PROJECT UPDATE

In the past, the Sandhills RC&D has been successful in acquiring grant funds to help residents in a

six county area update their homes through the Owner Occupied housing program. Those original grant funds have now been expended and the program has transitioned into a maintenance program. As those grant funds are returned through loan repayments or sale of homes, then new funds have become available to add new homes to the program. There is currently a new home in the project with applications being added to the waiting list. New applicants will work with Leigh Alexander, CDS Inspections, to complete the rehab.



HOOKER COUNTY EVENTS CENTER

The Sandhills RC&D has been cooperating with the Hooker County Tourism committee over the past several years as they work to promote and enhance the community. The committee is tasked with managing the county lodging funds that are collected through lodging establishments in the county. Funds collected can be used for promotion or physical improvements that will bring visitors to the county. The RC&D serves as secretary and manager for advertising and promotion activities. In 2017, a new Community Center was completed with assistance from several entities within the community, including use of some lodging funds. Recent upgrades the past year have included a new playground installed with volunteer labor, big screen TV's and audio system installed, and a new well is being planned.

PATTY GLIDDEN RECOGNIZED



(Governor, Pete Ricketts; Patty Glidden; and John Ricks, Executive Director of the Nebraska Travel Commission)

Patty Glidden, co-owner of Sandhills Motel and Glidden Canoe Rentals in Mullen, was honored during the 2018 State Tourism Conference held in Nebraska City in October 2018. She received the Nebraska Tourism Crystal Compass award. The Crystal Compass Award recognizes tourism personnel who have given of themselves to be leaders in their communities and their association; in turn strengthening Nebraska's tourism industry. She is a tireless volunteer for the state tourism organization as well as the Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway. Congratulations to Patty!

In 2018, more than 123 volunteers in Sandhills RC&D partner projects contributed over 2000 hours toward Sandhills Resource Conservation and Development partner projects.

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Sandhills RC&D Managed Accounts - Fiscal Year 2018

	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenses</i>
<i>Sandhills RC&D</i>	<i>\$18,890</i>	<i>\$29,350</i>
<i>Housing Rehab</i>	<i>\$19,050</i>	<i>\$7,213</i>
<i>TRUST Housing Fund</i>	<i>\$602</i>	<i>\$600</i>
<i>NGLC</i>	<i>\$171,968</i>	<i>\$182,225</i>
Totals	\$210,510	\$219,388

**SANDHILLS JOURNEY PRODUCES VIDEOS**

Through a grant from the Nebraska Tourism Commission, the SJSB was able to work with Mitch Hunt/Huntrex to develop a series of five videos focusing on specific topics related to the Byway. For the past year, these videos have been seen statewide on various TV outlets and are also available on the YouTube channel and searching for Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway. Audio clips from the videos have also been heard on KRVN and sister stations across the state this past month. The first video is the "Welcome to the Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway" with the opening clip shown above.

The remaining videos in the series are Sandhills Cowboy, Secrets of the Sandhills, Intro to the Sandhills Journey, and The Nebraska National Forest. These are all available on the YouTube Channel and can be found by searching Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway. This past summer the latest video the series was completed and focuses on birding opportunities along the byway.

SJSB VISITOR CENTER A VENDOR SITE FOR 2018 JUNK JAUNT

For the first time, the Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway had their own vendor site during the 2018 Nebraska Junk Jaunt event - September 28, 29, 30th. The SJSB Visitor Center on the east edge of Broken Bow was the site to seek out treasures on the Nebraska Junk Jaunt. This was the first attempt at this fundraiser, which was split between marketing and promotion of the SJSB and the Visitor Center for upkeep and go towards their goal of a sod house on the acreage. Thank you to all who donated items and volunteered to man the space! The 2019 Junk Jaunt will be the last weekend of September and it is hoped that the SJSB can continue to host a vendor site!



SANDHILLS JOURNEY SCENIC BYWAY HAS SUCCESS- FUL YEAR

The Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway (SJSB) organization includes communities along Nebraska Highway 2 between Alliance and Grand Island. Annual individual, business, community and county memberships total approximately 100 and help support the promotional efforts of the byway. The Sandhills RC&D works closely with the organization on projects designed to encourage tourism and business support. This is done through grant writing and administration, marketing and advertising projects, newsletter and social media development, as well as use of office space and storage space.

SJSB ANNUAL CONFERENCE HELD

The Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway held their 2018 Annual Conference January 12 and 13 in Broken Bow. Participants were treated to area tours and a wine and cheese reception at the Big Red Barn (Visitor Center) to kick off the event on Friday evening. A full day of activities were held on Saturday at the Once Box Convention Center.

Broken Bow Mayor, Cecil Burt, welcomed guests and thanked them for choosing Broken Bow as the site for the 2018 conference. Mayor Burt highlighted some of the many beautiful stops and shopping opportunities available to travelers when they get off of Interstate 80.

Linda Lacy, SJSB President, gave her President's Address and spending time with the Byway has made her aware of all the grant opportunities for small businesses in Nebraska.

The Key Note speaker for the day was Nebraska's Lieutenant Governor Mike Foley. Foley talked about the importance of agriculture, industry, and tourism. He also thanked the volunteers for the many hours they have spent promoting the Highway 2 journey through the Sandhills.



2018 Grants Applied for and/or Administered by the Sandhills RC&D

<i>Requested From:</i>	<i>Organization</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Status</i>
NE Environmental Trust	Sandhills RC&D	Cedar Control-4 year	\$136,000	Completed in June 2018
NE Environmental Trust	SJSB	Birding Trail – 4 year	\$75,900	Completed in June 2018
NE Environmental Trust	NE Grazing Lands Coalition	Rangeland Monitoring	\$300,000	Completed in Dec 2018
NE Environmental Trust	NE Grazing Lands Coalition	Grazing Cover Crops	\$100,000 —Year 3	In Progress
World Wildlife Fund	NE Grazing Lands Coalition	Carry out program goals	Funds as needed	In Progress
2017 Spring NE Tourism Grant	SJSB	Promotion	13,145	Completed in 2018
2017 fall NE Tourism Marketing Grant	SJSB	Promotion through state tourism website	\$5,000	In Progress
2017 Fall Watchable Wildlife Grant	SJSB	Development of wildlife tours	\$1,800	In Progress
2011 Housing Rehab Grant	RC&D	Owner/Occupied Housing Rehab	\$150,000	Maintenance
NE Environmental Trust	SJSB	Pollinator Gardens-3 year	\$72,770 —Year 1	Pending
2018 Fall NE Tourism Grant	SJSB	Promotion	25,000	Pending
Burlington Northern/Santa Fe	Thedford Fire District	Fire Hall	\$25,000	Declined in 2018

SANDHILLS JOURNEY SCENIC BYWAY AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway is pleased to announce the winners of two scholarships in the amount of \$250 each. This is the eighth year the scholarships were offered and 30 well-qualified applicants from all areas of the Byway applied. The winners are Abby Hadenfeldt from Cairo and Tara Geiser from Merna.

Abby is a senior at Centura High School and plans to attend Fort Hays State University next fall where she hopes to earn her degree in agronomy and eventually return to her family's farm operation. While in high school she has been active in FFA, National Honor Society, Quiz Bowl, Play Production, Choir, and sports as well as many volunteer activities.



Tara will graduate in May Anselmo-Merna High School. She will begin her college education by attending Bryan College of Health Sciences to earn her undergraduate degree in biomedical sciences and then plans to attend medical school to become a physician. She hopes to return to the area to open her own practice and provide an important service to her rural community. Tara is a Certified Nursing Assistant and been active in 4-H, FFA, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Skills USA as well as athletics. She has participated in numerous community service activities and earned many honors in the livestock show arena.



The Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway is dedicated to helping our area thrive and grow. The Byway believes that by encouraging our youth to become members of local organizations and governments, by job shadowing local businesses or volunteering for community service we all benefit. The Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway is excited to help the winners with their education and hopefully see them return to the area to live and work.

The Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway is honored to award these scholarships and hopes it will inspire others to contribute to their communities in positive ways. For more information on the SJSB visit: www.sandhillsjourney.com.

11th ANNUAL POLAR BEAR TANK RACE

The 11th annual Polar Bear Tank Race was a high flying, low riding fun affair March 2nd and 3rd. Hosts and organizers, Mitch and Patty Glidden, with help from family and friends made it another great event. Mother Nature co-operated even in that the racers did not need coveralls or coats, as the temp on race day was close to 70.

The fun began on Friday eve with the Soup Cook-Off. Best named was brought in by SJSB member, Pat Bridges. Her Wickedly Evil Chili must have been good, as none was left. Best dressed table was won by the Randolph girls team, Blackbirds, that decorated their table with 4 and 20 blackbirds, their outfits had wings as well, luckily the wind was not hurricane force like a few days later. Best tasting was won by Devon, the chef for the Sandhills Golf Course. Since no golfing, he has opened the Meadowlark Cafe', serving food and drinks and keeping the door open for all to enjoy the art of the Mullen Art Center which is in the back of his cafe'. He even opened on Sunday, serving breakfast for the participants before they headed home.

Saturday the race was on, four men's teams, three ladies teams raced against the clock. The time of 1 hr. 6 min. 42 sec. was made by the 'Maybe Team'. When they registered, Denny Whitfield, leader and participant all 11 years, said "Maybe they would float this year, & maybe they would race". Good thing they chose to race. Other members included Kyle and Tracy Whitfield and Colby Walton. The women's team best time of 1 hr. 21 min. 14 sec. was made by the American. Lonna Clegg, Cindy Wiley, Hannah Furnadey, and Ricci Robertson were the members.



This race was a memorial also to Adrian Jensen, son of Mitch and Patty Glidden, who passed away last fall. He helped with the race and also raced a few years as part of the River Rats. A handmade Chadron cedar/pine tree bench was made by friends and auctioned off Saturday before the prime rib supper. Lori McMullen was the lucky bidder at \$1,400. The money went to Adrian's four children, represented by his oldest daughter, Kaitlyn.



A big thank you out to the food and refreshment vendors - Chuckwagon N Jug, (Gregg & Dawn Mallory), the Mullen Marksmen 4-H Club - Saturday's breakfast, and Gary and Ronda Reiser - prime rib supper Sat. night. Emcee for both days, was Brenda Masek of Purdum.



SANDHILLS RC&D - NEBRASKA GRAZING LANDS COALITION PARTNERSHIP

Dedicated to the enhancement of grasslands, the Nebraska Grazing Lands Coalition (NGLC) is comprised of ranchers and private landowners all focused on creating public awareness and improvement of the grazing lands in Nebraska. Funding for the programs come through a variety of sources including grants through the Nebraska Environmental Trust and other cooperative agreements. Payments, budgeting, and grant administration for the various NGLC projects is conducted at the Sandhills RC&D office. The roughly \$125,000 annual budget provides for state-wide rangeland programs. One of the 3 1/2 year Nebraska Environmental Trust Grants was completed in December 2018 and below is a summary of what has been accomplished to protect and enhance grazing in the state of Nebraska:



GrazeNebraska Radio Outreach:

Beginning in November 2014, NGLC has teamed up with UNL Extension to deliver weekly radio spots on KRVN and KNEB featuring timely grazing topics. These radio spots are entitled "Graze Nebraska" and feature Nebraska Extension Beef Systems Educators, and ranchers/ grazers with a long history of grazing management presenting their thoughts on a grazing management concept that is of particular importance at the time. Nebraska Extension specialists also provided scientifically documented grazing management principles. The weekly spots are archived on a website. Through the end of December 2018, approximately 200 weekly GrazeNebraska radio spots have been disseminated throughout Nebraska. A Nebraska Extension Beef Systems Educator coordinates the activities of GrazeNebraska.

Events:

From July 2015 through December 2018, the NGLC Coordinator, NGLC Board Members and NGLC Advisors have facilitated and/or participated in approximately 160 events stateside, regionally and on a national level related to some type of grazing event. Board members and advisors are not compensated for their time and expenses. These efforts represent a significant "in-kind" contribution to NGLC activi-

ties. NGLC activities include, however, were not limited to:

- Quarterly Board meetings
- Summer grazing tours
- Generational transition sessions
- Traveling Road Shows
- Nebraska Grazing Conferences
- NatGLC National Grazing Conferences
- NatGLC Board meetings
- NRCS State Technical Committee meetings
- Society for Range Management Nebraska Section meetings
- National Society for Range Management meetings
- National Partners for Conservation meetings
- Statewide Grazing Cover Crop Field Days
- Statewide Youth Range Camps
- UNL – CSC Range Short Courses
- National level GrassFed Exchange Conferences
- Nebraska Cattlemens Conferences
- UNL Gudmundsen Sandhills Laboratory Open House and Beef Research Days
- Statewide FFA Chapter provision of plant presses
- Statewide Range Judging events
- Statewide Mentoring Program
- Weekly GrazeNebraska radio spots
- GrassSnap smartphone app

The NGLC Traveling Road Show held annually in November represents one of the significant activities. A nationally or internationally renowned grazing speaker traveled to eight locations statewide including four college campuses to target the next generation of grazers. From July 2015 through December 2018, four speakers shared their expertise about grazing management to in excess of 1,000 Nebraska grazers and students. These speakers included:

- 2015 Tony Malmberg, Grasslands, LLC
- 2016 Allen Williams, Core Team Member of the Pasture Project
- 2017 Dan Thompson, KSU Veterinarian that advises McDonalds Corporation
- 2018 Jason Rowntree, MSU Soil Carbon Sequestration Thought Leader

Another significant NGLC activity is the Summer Grazing Tour. From June 2015 through December 2018, the June Summer Grazing Tour attracted in excess of 500 grazers as the tour featured four geographic Nebraska locations as follows:

- 2015 Southcentral Nebraska (Upland, Bladen and Red Cloud area)
- 2016 Northern Nebraska Sandhills (Thedford area)
- 2017 Southeastern Nebraska (Reynolds, Belvidere and Bruning area)
- 2018 Northwestern Nebraska Panhandle Chadron and Hay Springs area)

Advertising:

NGLC advertised in regional publications to promote various NGLC activities including the Summer Grazing Tours, Traveling Road Shows and Generational Transition meetings. Print advertising appeared in six publications approximately 15 times from July 2015 through December 2018. Print advertisements were placed in the following publications:

Nebraska Farm Bureau News
Nebraska Cattleman
Sandhills Cattleman
The Fence Post
Cattle Business Weekly
Progressive Cattlemen



The Rangeland Monitoring Program (RMP) equipment purchased as a result of funds available through this grant was distributed to 47 participants in the RMP

during the duration of this grant (July 2015 through December 2018). During the 10 -year duration of the RMP (2009 through 2018), 411 Nebraska grazers have been trained to monitor their grazing resource. The NGLC coordinator and other RMP technicians conducted range monitoring site demonstrations with ranchers, grazers and land owners that had expressed interest in the RMP. Many of the participants were enrolled in the NRCS Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) wherein range monitoring is a form of range enhancement. Many of the RMP participants requested further information about more intensive grazing management. The NGLC Coordinator provided further information about intensive grazing management plans involving installation of internal fencing for further range / pasture subdivision resulting in rotational grazing systems. These systems employ the principles of higher stock density, shorter grazing duration and longer recovery periods resulting in enhanced range health over time. A NGLC funded survey of RMP participants conducted by Nebraska Extension Range Management Specialists revealed that approximately 60% of the RMP participants continued to monitor their range annually beyond their initial training session.

**SRM YOUTH RANGE CAMP—June 2018**

NGLC assisted in the SRM-Nebraska Section Youth Range Camp held at the Nebraska State 4-H Camp Grounds in the Nebraska State Forest near Halsey, NE in June 2018. The Coordinator shared information about the various activities of the NGLC.

**NGLC COVER CROP PROJECT**

Funded through a second Nebraska Environmental Trust Grant, the Cover Crop project focuses on the use of cover crops to enhance or expand native range forages. From May through October 2018, seven private land owners took delivery of cover crop seed and planted up to 130 acres per site. Most of the cover crop seed for this project is being provided by Green Cover Seed, owned and managed by Keith and Brian Berns from Bladen, NE. The seed is being provided at a 15% discount and Keith is serving as a consultant to blend specific cover crop mixes to meet individual grazers' needs. Keith or someone else from Green Cover Seed has served as an informational resource at the five educational field day demonstrations in Summer and Fall 2018 and contributed immensely to greater understanding of the merits of individual plant species and their benefits to be included into a diverse mix of cover crops for grazing purposes. Oversight for this project is provided by graduate assistant, Nate Pflueger, UNL graduate student who collects the data and coordinates the educational field day demonstrations. Nate compiled the forage yield data and summarized the information into an easy to read handout for each of the five grazing cover crop educational field days in 2018. He has also developed a NGLC Grazing Cover Crop website wherein the eight private land owners each have a separate section wherein they are "telling their grazing cover crop stories".

**Active and Ongoing Sandhills RC&D
Projects for 2018**

Housing Rehabilitation Program
Hooker County Tourism
Nebraska Grazing Lands Coalition Partnership
-Grant Administration for two NE Environmental Trust grants
-Grant Administration for NRCS agreements
Sandhills Journey Byway Partnership
-Grant Administration, NE Arts Council, two Nebraska Tourism Marketing Grants, NE Environmental Trust Grants
-Marketing & Promotion
Nebraska National Forest Arboretum Project

SANDHILLS RC&D FACTS

The purpose of the Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D) program is to promote conservation development and utilization of natural resources; to improve the general level of economic activity; and to enhance the environment and standard of living in all communities.

Many RC&D projects focus on the protection and improvement of natural resources or community facilities. Still others work on improving a community's quality of life. All projects are intended to make rural communities more viable places to live.

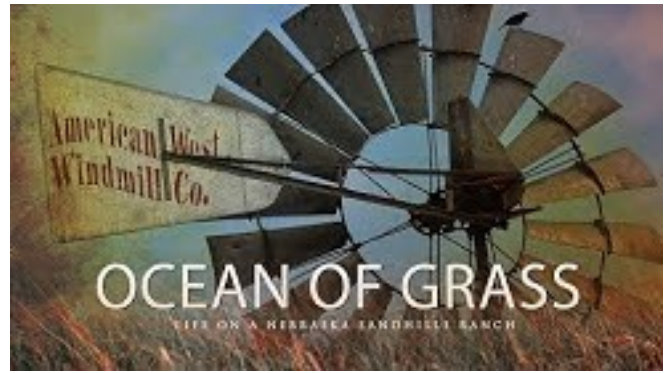
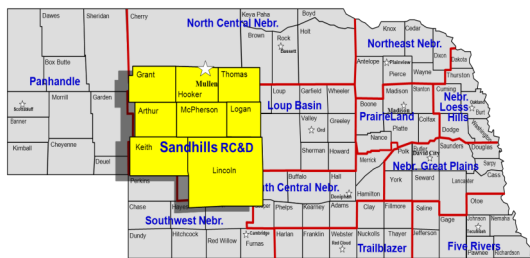
"Communities know what communities need" sums up the philosophy of Resource Conservation and Development Councils. Each local council establishes policies and develops projects to address local needs.

The Sandhills RC&D program office is located on Highway 97 in Mullen and was authorized in April of 2003. The RC&D is sponsored by eight counties and two Natural Resource Districts, and includes the counties of Arthur, Grant, Hooker, Keith, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, and Thomas.

The Sandhills RC&D is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization that allows the organization to secure grants and to receive individual donations that are tax deductible by the donor.

SANDHILLS RC&D OFFICE MOVES!

The Mullen Sandhills RC&D office officially moved from the former location across the street from the Lariat gymnasium to the new location on main street. The office is now housed in the same building as the Mullen Arts Center at 109 NW 1st Street. For those familiar with downtown, it is next to the Lucys' Variety store. The new space has a private office at the rear of the arts center and will benefit both the art center and RC&D. Visitors are always welcome!



"OCEAN OF GRASS" FILM TO BE HIGHLIGHTED IN NEBRASKA

A documentary featuring a family in the Sandhills of Nebraska has made a splash in the state over the past year. This experiential, immersive documentary, "Ocean of Grass" captures a year in the life of the 130 year old McGinn Sandhills ranch. In 2018 it was shown over 100 times in twenty five locations—mostly in Nebraska but also in CO and WY. The cinematography features the lyrical and timeless feeling of the American Great Plains, and presents the intriguing personalities of those who choose this sparse, rugged lifestyle. The film narrative is provided by the ranchers who have called this area home for generations.

Filmmaker Georg Joutras was not unfamiliar with the Sandhills growing up, as Ogallala is on the southern tip of them. He left to attend college at the UNL and one of his classes was filmmaking. He returned to Ogallala as a businessman, working for a computer tech company, then moved back to Lincoln. He always had a camera in his hand and opened a studio in the capital city. He sometimes exhibited at the Burkholder Project in Lincoln, as did Laron McGinn, an artist from Dunning, whose McGinn family ranch consists of land in both Custer and Blaine counties. "We met in '03, hit it off, and when he invited me to stay with him on the ranch if I got out there, I knew the invite was genuine," Joutras said. "I had planned on a day or two, ended up staying for a week." The film is based on Joutras' book, "A Way of Life: Ranching on the Plains of America."

Joutras' 84-minute film was first seen at the Kansas City Film Festival, then at its Nebraska premiere in Broken Bow in June. It was edited down to its current 1 1/2 hrs from an original of 100 hours of film. See Georg Joutras Media, facebook page, for future showings in 2019 throughout the state.

Sandhills RC&D is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization recognized by the IRS and the State of Nebraska.